

General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 348

LCO No. 1051

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by: SEN. RORABACK, 30th Dist. REP. WILLIS, 64th Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING PARENTAL IMMUNITY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That the general statutes be amended to provide that the common-
- 2 law doctrine of parental immunity shall not apply to protect a parent
- 3 from liability when the parent engages in reckless misconduct
- 4 consisting of knowingly providing a child with alcoholic beverages or
- 5 illegal drugs and the child dies after consuming such alcoholic
- 6 beverages or illegal drugs, thereby reversing the decision in the case of
- 7 Specyalski, ADMR v. Specyalski.

Statement of Purpose:

To eliminate parental immunity in circumstances where a parent knowingly provides alcohol or drugs to a child and the consumption of such alcohol or drugs causes the death of such child.